



Annual NEWSLETTER

Edwinstowe Community Cricket Club annual newsletter

WHAT A SEASON

We all knew this would be a busy season but there has been so much it's hard to know where to start. This year things just got bigger and better, 135 children (4 – 13) playing softball and hardball cricket. 54 Ladies registered which is probably more than any other club in Nottinghamshire. The Ladies reached the Finals day of the East Midlands Cup held at Market Harborough on Sunday 31 August.

Four age group teams playing Junior Hardball, 11, 12, 13 & 15's. The Under 12 team won their league.

Two Senior teams competing in the Bassetlaw League every Saturday. The 1st team will be promoted to Division 4 next year and the 2nd team finished a creditable 5th in Division 6. Three youngsters, Maya Baldwin, Henry Farmer and George Baines played regularly for the Senior sides and six in total represented Edwinstowe CCC.

Senior cricket has been played at the Forest Corner every Sunday, either at Edwinstowe side or Wellow Exiles, who have been with us for a number of years, adding some excellent entertainment.



Edwinstowe CCC Management structure

Registered with the ECB and Nottinghamshire play in the Bassetlaw league - North Notts Forest Corner, Edwinstowe. NG21 9RN

President: Richard Martin **Chairman:** Mike Wigglesworth

Secretary: Jon Garnham **Treasurer:** Ian Rich

General Manager: Michael Baines

Safeguarding Officer: Jackie Wigglesworth

Captain 1st XI: Jonathan Kirk

Captain 2nd XI: Steve Farmer

Sunday Captain: Tom Reilly

Ladies Section: Managed and run by Andy Unwin

All Stars: Managed and run by Steve Beard

Committee: The above plus John Broom, Steve Beard and Donna Broom

Coaching Staff

Qualified coaches: John Garnham, Neil Baldwin, Steve Farmer, Rob Matthews, Tom Baker, Andy Unwin

Assistant Coaches: Donna Broom, John Broom, Chris Peak, Paul Benson, Stuart Green, Steve Beard, Neil McLafferty, Scott Allen, Alex Skennerton

Ground Management: Richard Martin, Terry McLaughlin, Kevin Moore, Steve Beard

The Club has been open nearly every evening from May to July

Monday & Tuesday	Junior fixtures
Wednesday	Ladies Training
Thursday	Senior Nets
Friday	Youth coaching and Hardball nets
Saturday & Sunday	Match Days

This has made the Forest Corner a seriously busy place, somewhere to meet and be seen. It is safe, secure, cheap and provides lots of opportunity.

Edwinstowe CCC has donated £2500 to sponsor the Edwinstowe Armistice Day Parade in November. As you have helped to raise this money the local branch of The British Legion would like you to recognise their grateful thanks.



JUNIOR CRICKET

Junior Cricket - It just gets busier, from the youngest to those playing Senior Cricket we have almost 135 registered youngsters. This is a huge credit to this club, the village and the residents.

We are very much aware that the coaches, the parents, relatives and volunteers deserve massive credit for this, it can't work without you. Thanks.

In May and June the All Stars cricket (4-8yrs) was every Sunday morning and superbly organised and marshalled by Steve Beard and his team. We have approx' 60 registered for this and they will eventually move on to Dynamos (8-10yrs). The Dynamo age group meet on Friday evening and are looked after by our qualified coaches with a team of assistants. The more experienced of these often play in tournaments at other clubs on Sunday mornings, this being run by Paul Benson (thanks). The standout performances have been Daniel Benson, Jordan Allen and Finn McLafferty, well done to all of you.

Hardball THE UNDER 12 TEAM WON THEIR LEAGUE

11's main

Batters: Ava Hickman, Luke Robinson, Wilfred Garnham

Bowlers: Reuben Scarborough, Wilfred Garnham, Lucy Hulme

12's

Batters: Harry Brice, Zach Nattriss, Arthur Garnham

Bowlers: Arthur Garnham, Wilfred Garnham, Buddy Roberts

13's

Batters: Henry Farmer, Maya Baldwin, George Baines

Bowlers: Ben Readman, George Baines, Buddy Roberts

Hardball Under 15's was a shared team with Blyth CC playing in the Bassetlaw Junior League. Neither club had enough players for a full team, we hope that may change for next year.



With the right supervision we will be trying to programme indoor cricket games and practice nets throughout the Winter months, watch out for notifications.

The Qualified coaches HAVE to be available and attend when ever we are active at this level, and fixtures or practice sessions organised by the club have to be regulated.

It means that our qualified coaches attend every match, every practice, regardless of personal connections etc. As you can imagine this is a huge commitment and our thanks go to Jon Garnham, Neil Baldwin and Steven Farmer for always being there. Thanks also to parents and volunteers who help with transport, scoring and refreshments.

LADIES CRICKET

WE WON OUR LEAGUE AND ARE PROMOTED

The idea developed at the latter stages of last season, about a dozen ladies got together and played in a couple of Festivals. A great beginning but no-one could envisage what was about to happen.

2025 - 54 Ladies registered, all of whom have practised on Wednesday evenings and/or played at weekends in Festivals, Tournaments or league games.

We entered the East Midlands Cup (Notts, Lincs, Leics, Derbys and Northants) just

to see how it would be? Well, playing in the Finals Day on Sunday 7 Sept at (TBC). So, we are in the last 4 in the region, not bad for newcomers!

Also this season we entered 9 Festivals/ Tournaments, we won at Collingham, we won at Edwinstowe, where we entered 5 teams = 40 players. Of course we did, and the Raffle was amazing and over £1100 was raised, as was the profile of Edwinstowe Ladies Cricket! Not bad for a little village in N Notts.



Our cup team

Donna Broom Capt
Naomi Bennett-Jones
Becca Gilbody
Mel Bennett – Jones
Emma Broom
Jo Hackett
Sarah Moore
Sam Bedford



All of this has been managed and masterminded by Andy Unwin. He deserves a medal, the ladies love him and he has done an amazing job, thanks Andy, on behalf of all at ECCC. It has been a huge success, better than anyone could have predicted and has put Edwinstowe Ladies firmly on the map as a major force in Nottinghamshire and the region.

A huge thankyou to our sponsors, The Lansbury, to Tina & Adam Wade for their sponsorship, belief and trust and overall help in making this happen.

Memorable moments

Becca Gilbody who hits the ball a long way and very regularly.

Verity Garnham, 4 wickets in one over

WE RUN A CRECHE

Where else is there a cricket club that have a Creche so mums can take part in Cricket Practice on a Wednesday evening?

Well done to every one of you for creating a lot to talk about !!!



SENIOR CRICKET

BASSETLAW LEAGUE DIVISIONS 5 & 6

We re-entered the Bassetlaw league last year after almost 10 years. So successful was it that we won promotion immediately. That success brought renewed interest, new players, more youngsters from the Junior Section and a slight change in ideas. We kept the development team as a new team in Division 6 and the team promoted to Division 5 became more competitive with new faces as well.

It has been busy, league cricket at Edwinstowe every Saturday for the first time since 2015! Particularly pleasing is the increased number of youngsters from our Junior Section who are either good enough or keen enough to make that step up!

There have been some outstanding performances from both teams and the 1st X1 are promoted again and will play in Division 4 next year, well done everyone.

First X1: At the moment top of the league and already promoted for 2026

Jonathan Kirk has captained and managed the side superbly with help from Tom Baker

Steve Beard
Two centuries and a 50
Daniel Sung
A century and a 50
Russell Sung
A century and a 50
Pascal Broadley
A century and a 50
Richard Bramwell
Jonathan Kirk - 50

Bowling

Elliott Smith
24 Wickets, best 7 for 27

Finlay Cooke
12 Wickets, 5 for 11
Fielding
Rob Pealing, 11 Dismissals
Jack Casey, 7 Catches

Stand out performances

Daniel Sung, top score 178
Finlay Cooke, 4 wickets in 4 balls
George Baines, (13 yrs) First academy player to play for the 1st X1, took 2 wickets in his first match and another 4 wickets in man of the match performance a week later

2nd X: This season our 2nd X1 continued to be our development team. A clever mixture of youth and experience ably led by Steve Farmer, who just happened to be one of the regular 'Dads & Lads/Lasses' in our team.

The team finished a creditable 5th in the league, played some good cricket and in some interesting places. A lot happened !

Family pairings, Steve and Henry Farmer, Neil and Maya Baldwin, Jon and Arthur Garnham. Other juniors were George Baines, Oliver Robinson and Tom Lyons.

Leading run scorer was Neil Baldwin 535 runs incl one century and 3 fifties.

Half centuries for:
Steve Farmer
Marcus Smith
Maya Baldwin (14 yrs)
Jon Garnham
Paul Huifton

Bowling, interesting to note that the best bowling ALL came from Juniors
Henry Farmer (12yrs) 16 wickets best 4 for 29

Well done!

Oliver Robinson (14 yrs) 13 wickets best 4 for 9
George Baines (13 yrs) 13 wickets best 3 for 29

Most catches

Neil Baldwin, 9 victims

Outstanding moments - Henry Farmer, Maya Baldwin and George Baines have been regulars all season
Henry Farmer is the leading wicket taker
Arthur Garnham is the first Junior to hit a 6 in Senior League cricket

Maya Baldwin became the first player through the Junior ranks to score a maiden 50 in Senior cricket
Jon Garnham, not played for ? years scores an easy 58 not out and put on over 100 for the last wicket against Milton away



The Club has taken an opportunity to try and reduce running costs with the installation of solar panels. This has been made possible by money received from the ECB County Grants Fund. Our factor in receiving this grant is the great work the Club is doing in junior and women's cricket.

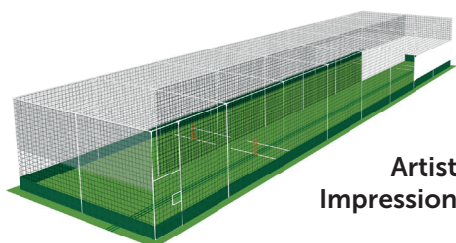
We have invested in the Club by redecorating in the spring and this enhances the fabric of the club room along with some fantastic new furniture that makes it a welcoming environment.

Mention needs to be made of Michael and Ali Baines, the social committee and bar staff for the endless work they do in organising the events throughout the season and have become a mainstay of village life.

Highly likely that 2026 will be a year of consolidating what we have. A new challenge for the 1st X1 in Division 4, more youngsters available to play in Senior cricket as development allows and a strengthening of our junior sides through new practice facilities.

NEW for 2026

In September we are having a two (2) lane practice net installed at the Forest end of the ground. Our boundary definition will change, we will incorporate land that is part of our lease and enclose it within the new boundary at the Forest end. This facility will dramatically change what we can do, particularly for the development of the younger players and the weekly practice for the Seniors. Purpose built with security fencing enclosing everything and state of the art batting and bowling lanes. See visual below.



Artist Impression

The funding for this Net Facility has come from the Section 106 fund set up by Newark and Sherwood DC. These monies are set aside to be released back into the community, and to help particularly with recreation, sport and leisure. We have been successful in acquiring a considerable amount to do this.

We will also be looking at ways to update our pavilion. Plans have been drawn up and ideas thought out as to how best to get the most out of what little extra room we have available. We hope to open up the main room, provide more and better toilet facilities and make several minor adjustments etc



CREDIT WHERE IT'S DUE

In this publication there we have a list of who does what, all of whom deserve a lot of credit for doing things very well. We all go down to the Forest Corner, enjoy the cricket, the ambience, the facilities and the whole experience. We love to see everyone there, those listed along with a host of volunteers are the ones that make it work.

We/I need to thank ALL of you for that. Believe me, It's special down here, MW

A HUGE THANKYOU to all our sponsors and supporters. Right across the age ranges and the differing formats you have made a considerable impact, and your support has allowed us to do things, make those things easier and look more professional. The support we receive from the village is fantastic and we thank you all.

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